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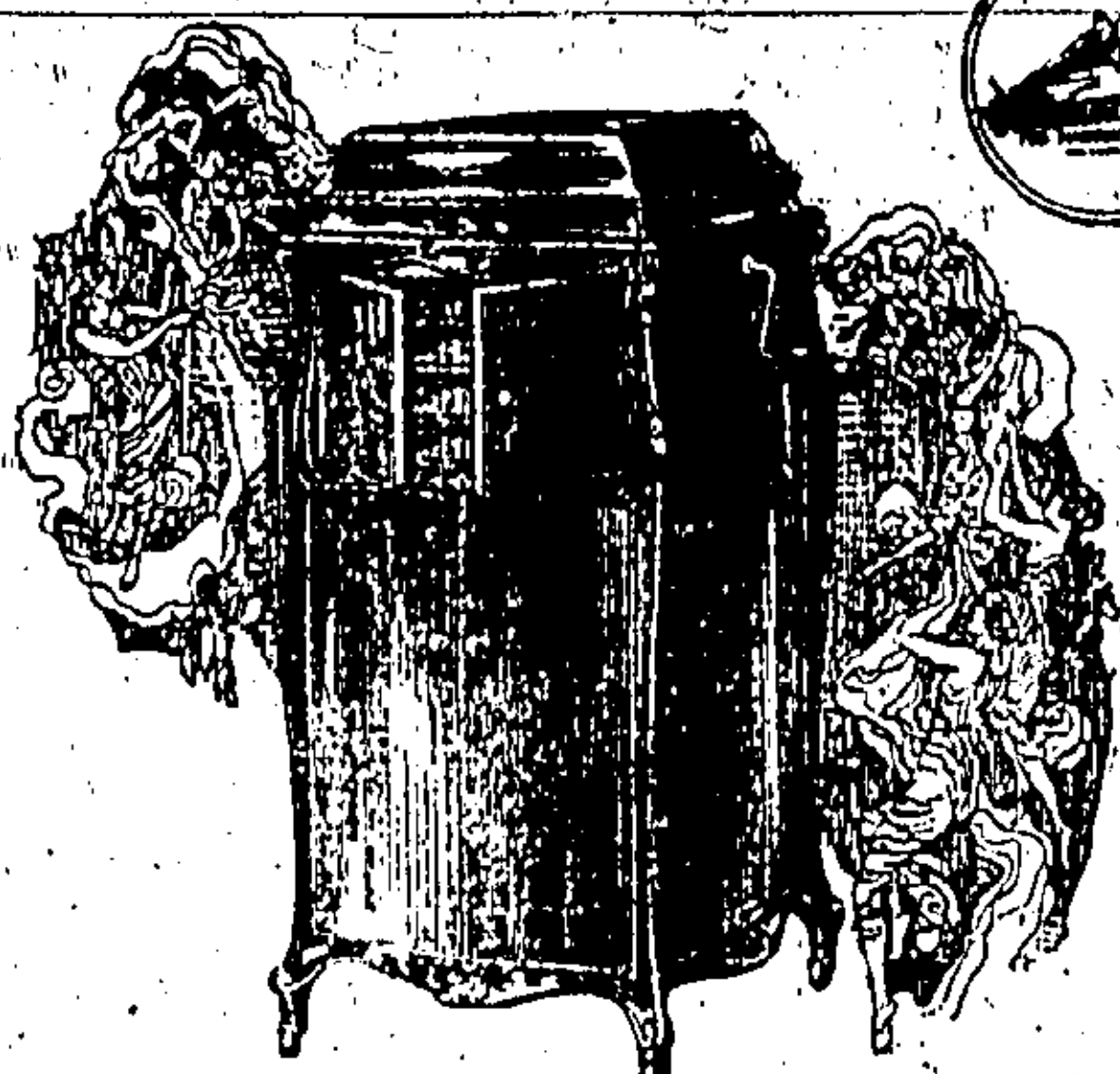


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GOVERNMENT DEFEATED.

LABOUR'S BIG VICTORY.
SEQUEL TO DECISIVE DEBATE.
AMENDMENT ADOPTED.
SIXTY-TWO VOTES CHANGE HISTORY.

LONDON, January 21, 4.20 p.m.
In the House of Commons the Government has been defeated. The Labour amendment to the Address-in-Reply to the King has been adopted by 328 to 256 votes.

When Parliament reassembled after the recent General Election the Labour Party moved an amendment to the Address-in-Reply that the House of Commons did not possess confidence in Mr. Stanley Baldwin's Government. To-day's news means that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, leader of the Labour Party, will form a new Government with himself as Premier and Foreign Minister, Lord Chancellor, Mr. Clynnes Lord Privy Seal and Mr. Patrick Hastings Attorney-General. It is stated that Miss Margaret Bondfield will be an Under-Secretary and the first woman to hold office in Britain.



Mr. James Ramsay MacDonald.

FINAL STAGES.
FATEFUL DEBATE CONTINUED.
GOVERNMENT ATTACKED.
WOMAN MEMBER'S MAIDEN SPEECH.

LONDON, January 21.
In the House of Commons there were cries of "Speech!" at question time when ardent members pressed supplementary questions. There was marked impatience among members to reach the final stages of the decisive debate which was resumed by Sir John Simon (Liberal), who described the proceedings as not an exhumation of the Government but as an inquest.

Referring to the Labour Party, Sir John Simon was exhorted by the Ministerialists to call them the Socialist Party. He did so amid loud Back Bench and Labour cheers.

Sir John continued that he would support Liberal measures and oppose the un-Liberal measures proposed by Labour, declaring that the verdict of the elections showed the country as firmly opposed to Socialism as to Protection, but that the vast majority favoured a new spirit in Government. **THE DOG WHO WENT MAD.**

Mr. Austen Chamberlain (Conservative) said that Sir John Simon's speech reminded him of the dog who "to gain his private ends went mad and bit a man." (Loud laughter.) Nobody would be in the Socialist camp sooner than Sir John Simon when that camp became popular (Ministerial cheers.)

Mr. Chamberlain predicted that Mr. Asquith would be the last Liberal Premier. The country in the next election would vote Labour or Conservative.

Miss Margaret Bondfield in the maiden speech, said that the arguments of Sir John Simon and Mr. Austen Chamberlain had little to do with the paramount question of unemployment. She proceeded to attack the Government for failing to deal therewith.

BRITAIN'S NAVAL SECURITY.
Mr. L. C. M. S. Amery, First Lord of the Admiralty, dealt with the Government's special programme of naval construction with a view to relieving unemployment in the shipbuilding centres. The Government proposed to lay down immediately eight light cruisers of 10,000 tons, armed with 18 inch guns. Three of these cruisers would be built at the Royal Dockyards and the remainder would be submitted to tender.

In addition to this special unemployment programme, this year's programme would include three submarines, one submarine depot ship, two destroyers, one destroyer depot ship, two gunboats for special service in the Persian Gulf, one aircraft carrier, and one minelayer; all of which were urgently needed. The whole programme would employ 25,000 men and involve the special addition of \$5,000,000 to the Navy estimates.

He was confident the present Opposition was not indifferent to the needs of Naval security and the urgent situation in the shipbuilding yards, but would give the proposals prompt and sympathetic consideration when Parliament reassembled.

MR. BALDWIN'S DEFENCE.
Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Premier, was loudly cheered by the Ministerialists. He termed Mr. Asquith as an obstetric physician about to bring a child into the world, saying, "If this child is not such as I fancy when it is born I shall smother it." (Ministerial laughter and cheers.) Mr. Baldwin declared that the Liberal Party had only got its numbers at the last election by telling the voters to keep out of the Socialist party. He reviewed the Government's achievements like the settlement of the American debt, the maintenance of the Entente, the treaty with Turkey, the practical settlement of the Tangle question and bootlegging differences with the United States, leaving relations with the United States better than they had ever been before.

Mr. Baldwin said his Government would leave its successors no outstanding problems—Opposition cries of "Oh!" except reparations, which were looking more hopeful and unemployment.

THREE BASIC POINTS.
Mr. Baldwin declared that responsibility for the policy with which the party went to the country was his alone. He had not been driven into it by someone else; but the decision to go to the country was the decision of a united Government. He had a clear conscience. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald would be able to build up a Socialist State on the shifting sands of a one-fifth national vote. The Conservatives looked to the future confidently without apprehension, standing on three basic principles, namely maintenance of the institutions of the Empire, preservation and development of the

Empire, and improvement of the conditions of our own people. He asserted that the future lay between the Labour Party and the Conservatives.

BRITISH NAME DISGRACED.
Referring to the decision to go to the country, Mr. Baldwin had for himself no regrets but many for those who fell in the fight.

Captain Guest (National Liberal) intimated that he would support the Labour amendment in order to condemn Protection, but he wanted other amendments taken in order to give the Liberals an opportunity of recording their anti-Socialist views. Otherwise he would vote against closure.

Lieut.-Colonel Keenworthy (Liberal) declared the Conservatives in the past five years had disgraced the British name in Ireland, India and Russia.

PRINCES PRESENT.
The galleries were packed for the concluding stage of the debate, those present including the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald said the House was going to take a step which he believed with all his heart and soul would be marked in the history of the country for good. He appealed to the House if the amendment were decisively carried to then adopt the address forthwith and let the House meet the new Government.

The remainder of the sentence was drowned by Ministerial and some Liberal cries of "No!"

A Labour Government might create many fears, Mr. MacDonald said, but what would be still worse would be action which would degrade the House, bring it to a deadlock, produce a sort of stalemate and show their incapacity to govern.

He claimed that the chief reason the foreign position was improving was the prospect of a change of government. One of the great continental diplomatists had said to him: "Since you had the election in England, the ice which was getting thicker round about us is beginning to break."

DIVISION CARRIED.
Sir James Hogg wound up the debate for the Government.

Mr. MacDonald thereupon moved the closure, which was carried without division. The House thereupon divided and adopted the Labour amendment by 328 to 256 votes.

Immediately after the division, which was taken amid keenest excitement, Mr. MacDonald claimed the main question, namely that the Address be put.

The Speaker accepted this, which was allowable, thus wiping out the other amendments. Amid strong Conservative protests the amended Address was then carried by 328 to 251 votes.

On Mr. Baldwin's motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow.

There were wild Labour cheers as Mr. MacDonald left the chamber. Mr. Baldwin was also loudly cheered by his supporters as he departed.

The following Liberals voted for the Government—Sir Beddoe Rees, Sir Thomas Robinson, Sir Ellis Griffiths, Messrs. Duckworth, Hugh Edwards, G. Leng Sturrock, Hogbin, W. A. Jenkins, W. E. Robinson and Colonel England.

HOME RAILWAY STRIKE.

STOPPAGE ONLY PARTIAL.

SUBSTANTIAL SERVICES MAINTAINED.

LONDON, January 21.
Reports from various parts of the country this afternoon show that the railway stoppage is only partial and substantial services are being maintained. The boat trains are running from Victoria and Waterloo.

INTER-UNION STRIFE.

LONDON, January 21.
The inter-union strife in connection with the railway strike has been further exemplified by the fact that the N.U.R. Executive have telegraphed the secretaries of their branches throughout the country declaring that Mr. Bromley's speech last night "clearly shows that efforts are being made to prejudice the position of our union for propaganda purposes and to disintegrate our organisation. Therefore it is imperative that our men should be solid in their loyalty to this organisation."

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POLITICAL OUTCOME.

LONDON, January 21.
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Fifteen hours..... 3.20
Sixteen hours..... 3.40
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Seven hours..... 1.60
Eight hours..... 1.80
Nine hours..... 2.00
Ten hours..... 2.20
Eleven hours..... 2.40
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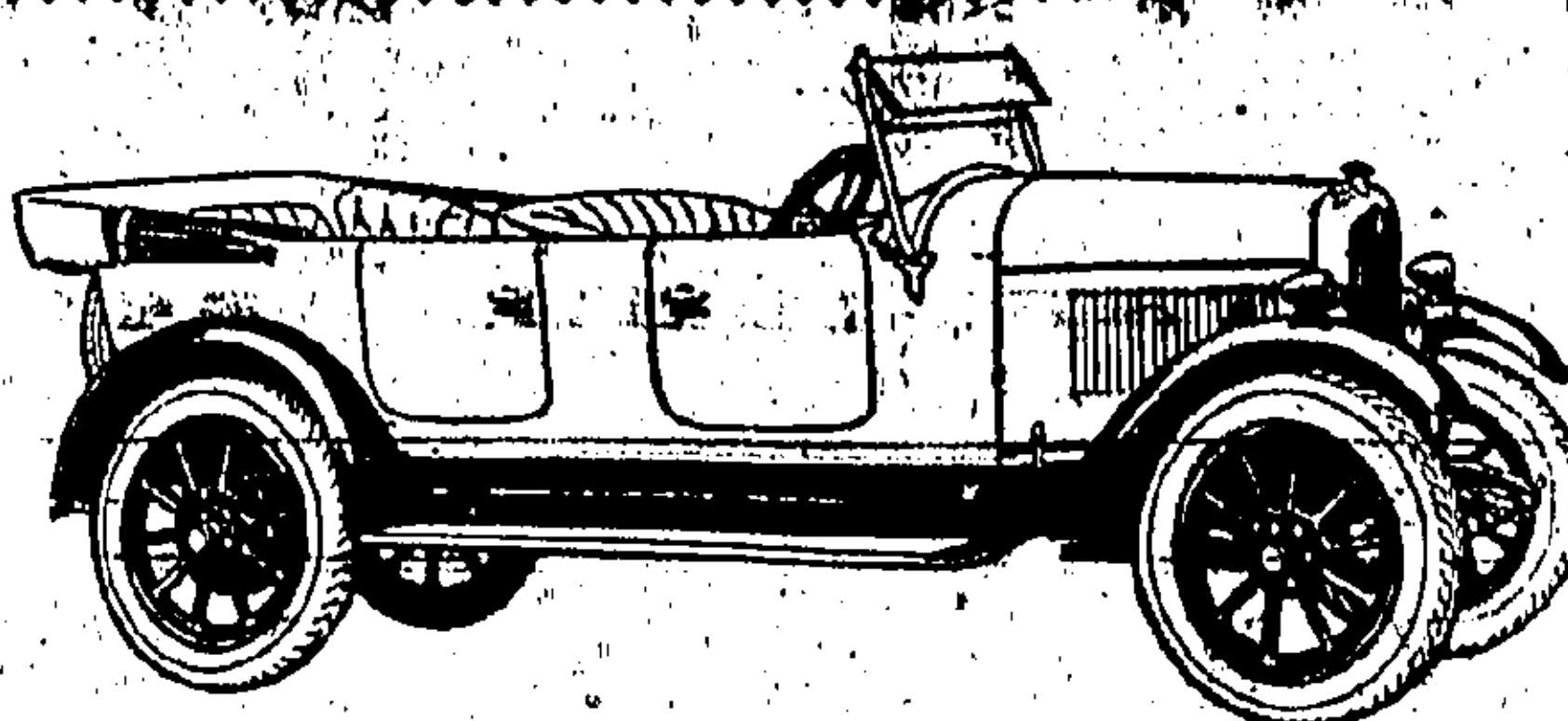
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and one way was to cut the "t" down,
leaving only the big "E" and the
cross-stroke of the "t." This
symbol gradually became changed
into our present "X."

Jacks of all trades.

Sir Walter Raleigh was a versatile
character in all his life. He was
sailor, soldier, author, coloniser,
courtier, historian, poet, discoverer
of tobacco, and a score of other
things. Some up-country towns
have fellows just as versatile in
their own small way. The little
victorian township of Landsborough
contains one Trucker Aston. He is
a storekeeper and ironmonger, with
a big swag of bees that produce
anything up to fifteen tons of honey
a year as a side-line. At district race
meetings he calls the odds, and
when other business is not too pressing
he does a turn at skin-buying. As a
horse owner and trainer, the
dawn often finds him on the training
track for morning gallops. For
the rest, he is a builder and
contractor and also the local under-
taker.

"I Give it Best."

When Judge Rogers was on the
Bench he was one of the most
punctilious men in New South
Wales. At Armidale he directed the
constable in charge to make formal
announcement that the court stood
adjourned "sine die." The phrase
floored the bobby. "He proceeded"
to the door and made this announce-
ment in a fat and fruity brogue.
"This court now stands adjourned
gr-r-r." The Judge beckoned him
back and told him to make the
announcement properly. Again the
announcement was made in the
same terms. The Judge was in-
censed. Once more he called the
constable up to the Bench and re-
peated the words of the proclama-
tion, laying particular emphasis on
the last two words "sine die."
Then he asked the now thoroughly
hot and bothered bobby if he could
repeat it correctly. The constable
replied, "Yes, yer Honour." He
then went to the door and made the
following announcement: "This
court now stands adjourned, so help
me God." The Judge retired.

Safety first in the air.

A number of people are deterred
from flying by the fear that their
lives may be brought to a quick end
through the pilot of the aeroplane
becoming ill suddenly.
This fear is probably caused by
the public remembering incidents of
the war, during the latter part of
which pilots and gunners unused to
flying at high altitudes for any
length of time were sometimes seized
with headaches and fits of giddi-
ness on returning from bombing
raids.

The commercial aeroplane of to-
day very seldom has occasion to rise
above 6,000 feet on its journeys, so
that neither the pilot nor his pas-
sengers are at all likely to feel ill
effects.

The Air Ministry does its best to
ensure the safety of air travellers by
making a pilot undergo a stiff medi-
cal examination every time his fly-
ing licence is renewed. This being
done every six months. Should he
suffer illness of accident he must be
again examined before resuming
flying.

Making paints and crayons.

Chalk is the main ingredient used
in making crayons. This, mixed
with colouring matter and water, is
ground through triple rollers. Then
it is spread on circular blocks to dry.
When the mixture has dried to the
right consistency it is fed into a
machine and forced out, in a con-
tinuous rod, through a circular open-
ing, the diameter of which equals
that of the pastel or crayon. Cut to
the requisite length, the crayons are
set to dry on trays which are stacked
in racks on steam-heated shelves.

The process of making colours in
the "cake" form in which we see
them in water-colour boxes differs
from that employed for crayons.
After being mixed and ground, the
mass of colour is carried to the dry-
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It is left in chambers of varying
degrees of heat until the water has
been evaporated, when the resulting
dough is ready for kneading.
This process accomplished, the
mixture is fed through a machine,
emerging in the form of a tape-like
strip, pressed to about an eighth of
an inch thick, which is cut into
"cakes."

Shock Tactics.
From America comes the news of
a bald gentleman, who found his
hair growing again luxuriously as
the result of being frightened by a
puma. Despite the absence of
pumas in this country, we are in a
position to report that similar re-
sults can, none the less, be obtained
over here.

A parallel case is that of the Lon-
don man, who now wears the finest
side-whiskers in the northern
suburbs, as the result of the shock
and foreboding caused by the sight
of his wife using his only razor to
extract the tin-tacks when taking up
the carpet in the spare bedroom.
Nor is it only in misters' households
that the value of a sudden shock has
been proved. One who had for
years suffered from an unbecom-
ing pallor found himself rival-
ling the bluish rose in complexion,
merely as the result of tendering the
"bus conductor a pound note to
change and listening to his com-
ments on the situation.

Humorous Side of Broadcasting.

That all broadcasting experiments
are not an unqualified success is
shown by the failure of an experi-
ment at University College designed
to demonstrate the possibilities of
broadcasting as a factor in educa-
tion.

Mr. Alan Walker talked through a
transmitter at the London station
on St. Paul's Cathedral to the con-
ference of Educational Associations,
meeting at University College,
where lantern slides were shown as
an accompaniment to the lecture.
When, however, the lights were
turned out, the loud speaker began
to regale the serious-minded educa-
tionists with a very discursive
description of how the War killed
chaperones. The audience good-
naturedly requested that the un-
expected turn be allowed to con-
tinue.

It transpired later that a defect in
the apparatus caused confusion to
the wiring arrangements, when
London was broadcasting the
"Woman's Hour."

Heel-Taps!

You can tell a girl's character
from her shoes, especially the
heels. "A Doctor in a Daily Paper."

By their feet, my dear Boy, ye shall
know 'em.
Though her beauty allure and
cajole,
And her mind be as pure as a dove,
She may not be sound in her sole!
I implore, by the stars up above,
That you note what her instep
reveals,
Although I'm aware that in love you
Are head over heels!

If she walks with a "brogue,"
Gracious Heavens!
'Tis a sign she will talk by the
yard;
If her shoes are at sixes and sevens,
She'll make a dispiriting pard;
Should she tread on flat feet, 'tis
conclusive
The lady won't show what she
feels,
But her thoughts will be just as
elusive
As slippery eels!

So keep in your mind these
mementoes,
Or else the result may be grave;
It is plain if she turns up her 'ten
toes,
She can't know the way to be-
have.
You can't be too careful in choos-
ing;
Look well at each foot as she
kneels,
Then there won't be much risk of
your kneeling.
Your head over heels!

—HARTLEY GARRICK.

Whooping Cough.
Whooping cough is hard on the child
and hard on the parents. Coughing
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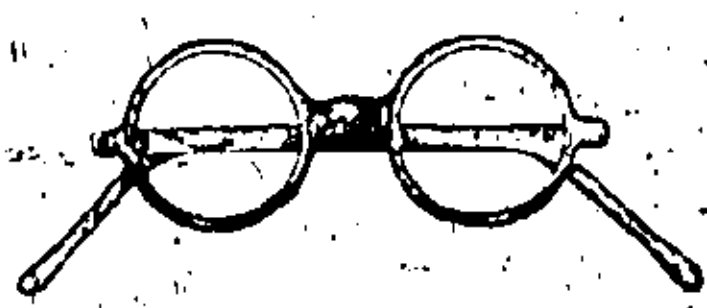
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A STRIKE.

At the very beginning of its career Great Britain's Labour Government (assuming there is now such a thing) is faced with a problem arising from labour—from the antagonism—or rather the differences arising between capital and labour, or employer and employee on the vexed question of wages. It may be said that the love of increased wages is the root of all labour evils, and the present strike is not uncommon in that respect. All eyes then will be turned in the direction of the Government to see what steps, if any, it will take; what legislation, if any, it will take to cause the parties to reason together, to come to a settlement amicable and fair to both parties; or, what is more important still, to institute legislation that will banish the possibilities of strikes for ever and a day—as a relic of barbarism in an age that was content to have its passions roused, its intelligence outraged, and to bring upon itself untold suffering and not a little loss. No one questions the right of the worker to strike. It is his inalienable right, if questioned, it has probably at times served a useful purpose in bringing to light the untold horrors and

underpaid abhorrences of certain classes of labour, and as a result has had them remedied. But this apart, and living as we do in an advanced age, the absolute necessity of indulging in a ruinous strike is now questioned. The strike weapon is a very ugly thing indeed. It is more often than not two-edged, likely to cause as much harm to the person who wields it as against whom it is wielded. No one questions that fact—almost every strike proves it—and proves, that unless the general body of labourers throughout the country stand by those who strike, a strike is but a mere matter of time, particularly were the working of essential services are jeopardised, and volunteer workers come forward in large numbers to man those services under the adequate protection of the forces of law and order. The solution to strikes is the simple one of Arbitration Boards presided over by an impartial Chairman, with a final Arbitration Board should the "lower house" as we may describe it fail in its endeavours to find a satisfactory solution to felt or known grievances. Why such Boards have not ere this become an accomplished fact by law established is a matter of no little surprise. It may be the habitual suspicion with which organised labour looks upon the efforts of others to seek means of peace, or that the average worker allows himself to be easily led and will continue to let others do his thinking for him. In any case, all

strike had to happen, it could not have happened at a better time so far as effectual dealing with strikes is concerned. The Labour Government will probably not thank a section of its adherents with presenting it with a strike greeting to consider on top of general unemployment, but if it leads to legislation of the type so much desired, we can at least attempt to see a little good in the present outburst, and like that paid Secretary, sleep calmly and soundly in our beds. If a Labour Government cannot settle a strike, who is there who can?

"A Long Felt Want"

The laying of the foundation stone of the Colony's new European Y.M.C.A. at Kowloon yesterday marked a definite step towards providing what has unquestionably been a long felt want by our young men. Immediately he arrives here the youngster out from Home on a moderate salary finds that he is up against a very stiff problem when he comes to investigate the question of accommodation. If it is a big firm that he is joining he may be lucky enough to get into a Mess (capital M. please, Compositors) but it is more than likely that he will, during his first year or two, lead the life of a nomad, flitting from boarding house to boarding house, from "digs" to "digs," in search of the comfortable home that is rarely to be found here outside of newspaper advertisements. And for a young fellow, especially if he has been used to living in his own home, nothing is more unsettling than to feel that he is just has to go out in the evening because the place gives him the "pip" that the time is ripe for the Devil's work to begin. For the men who have come out during the past few years it has been bad enough but, after all, most of them have done some soldiering. They have "roughed it," with a vengeance, and then they have the opportunity of meeting kindred spirits in the Easina Club. But from now on most of the "gritlings" will probably be too young to have served during the war and for them the new Y.M.C.A. should perform a useful service. One of its functions, it was announced yesterday, is to be "to help to provide permanent accommodation for young men who otherwise may have a difficulty in finding accommodation in suitable surroundings," and in useful hands, capable of steering a skilful course between intolerance on the one hand and free licence on the other, the new institution should in this direction alone achieve much good.

First Class Brains.

Before this is in print the Conservative Government is likely to be hit by a name, and the Labour party designated to hold the reins of office. This is not the occasion to speak of the difficulties which confront them and the least that can be asked is that they be given a fair trial. Hitherto the Labour Party has probably stood for a conglomerate of "horny-handed sons of toil"—men who, on Sundays, garbed themselves in funeral black; probably wore a red tie, king a hymn called "The Red Flag" and were in favour of blowing capital, vested interests, and the Constitution generally to bits—to so many bits that no self-respecting Conservative or Liberal could possibly mould a neurone to his heart's desire. To brand the Labour Party as such would be as unfair as to stigmatise our now almost world-famous Education Board because a member of it has been known to eject the pearl—"was you reading?" Jack Jones' there may be in profusion, but the list of adherents to the Labour cause now puts it within the ranks of what Lord Birkenhead would describe as "first class brains." No one questions the abilities or the intellectuality of men like Lord Haldane who it is stated is likely to be the next Lord Chancellor, or Mr. Philip Snowden, Mr. Patrick Hastings, or Mr. Sidney Webb. These men possess the fetiche of a University education and by all the ordinary rules of the game should be middle class liberals, or crusted Tories. But these men are what they are from conviction—led to their present position by having passed through the crucible of thought. Mr. Clynes and Mr. MacDonald are labourers because, shall we say, they were born that way. But this is not to deny them the qualities of clear thought which rulers should possess. Mr. Clynes was a more than successful Food Minister during the war, and probably held Cabinet rank. "How all these first class, or almost first class brains will work together remains to be seen. How long they will be allowed to remain in office also remains to be seen. With these two sides of the matter, this point is not concerned. We set out to state that the Labour party possessed first class brains. The names of the possessors of such now mentioned are few. They can be added to and that easily.

A paper has published an article on "How to Choose Christmas Presents." Remembering our trouble with the Comptroller's capons we want an article on "How to Chew Christmas Presents."

The use of mud for the complexion is the latest fad. Some people have found that slinging mud has generally put a different complexion on things.

A lady member of Parliament says she likes her home better than the House of Commons. Presumably there are no divisions there.

An actor recently gave up being a farmer, to go on the stage. It is not stated if his favourite play is "Maria Martin, or the murder in the Red Barn."

The "Katori Maru" has collided with a Hopper. The latter belied its name.

Dr. Cook, the polar explorer, has been sentenced to fourteen years imprisonment. He is now certainly up the Pole.

A New Jersey man has drowned himself in a vat of wine kept for his own private use. A sort of stewing in his own juice.

The New York NOT POLITICS newspapers praise the soundness of the reasoning in Mr. Daw's statement at the first meeting of the Experts' Committee in Paris, particularly the injunction that the motto of the committee must be "Business, not Politics. We wonder if the distinction means straight dealing with no equivocation as against shuffling, "beating about the bush," and underhand method. Certainly no damning phrase has been used for a long time to indicate what Politics amounts to.

He would time his lugs if they were not tacked to him. Auld wives were aye guid maidens.

Many a thing's made for the penny, as the auld wife said, when she saw a black man.

King's cheese goes haul away in pairings. She brak her elbow at the kirk door.

When lika ane gets their ain the thief will get the widdy. Ye'll learn your father to get bairns. He canna haud meal in his mou' an' blaw.

In the old days the popular musical conductor of the Theatre Royal, Dublin, was Old Levy. He had a very large family, and a story is told that when conducting an overture to an opera in the Theatre Royal a boy jumped up from under the stage and said: "Misther Levy! Misther Levy! Your woice has just had a babby!" "The Lord be praised for all His mercies!" said the conductor, keeping the baton going. In a few seconds the boy again appeared. "Misther Levy! Misther Levy!" "Well, boy, is anything wrong?" "Missis Levy has had another babby, sor!" "Thank Heaven! All's well!" And the baton waved with greater vigour, working up the orchestra to a tremendous flourish. Once more he was disturbed by the same messenger. "Misther Levy! Misther Levy!" "Git out, boy! What's the matter now?" "Begorra, there's another! As y' call 'em, trins!" The conductor rose and, putting down his baton, said: "Gentlemen, it's tolme I wint home and put a stop to this!"

We wonder if some of our roads "No motor traffic" are meant to be observed. The other day the Government's huge motor ambulance came down Wyndham St. in spite of the "No motor traffic" sign at the bottom of the street. Are government vehicles exempt, and is there one law for Medes and another for the Persians?

The Canadian Gazette publishes a PRECEDENCE despatch from the Colonial Secretary to the Governor-General announcing that His Majesty has approved of the revised table of precedence recommended by the Canadian Government.

The table places Lieut. Governor immediately after the Governor-General, omitting the General Commanding His Majesty's Forces and the Admiral Commanding the North American Station, who held the second place in the old list. The Prime Minister comes after Lieut. Governor, instead of ranking with members of the Cabinet. Thereafter come Archbishops and Bishops. At present, but immediately following them are the Presbyterian Moderators.

Heads of the Methodist and Baptist Churches are not officially recognised so far. We like that "so far." Presumably there is a "Table of precedence" in Hongkong. Does anyone know what it is—or cares? China of course has its own Table of Precedence, in which we believe the rich, coolie comes before the barrow-pusher. There is a table of precedence we believe in the Straits in the case of ladies—thus:—
Taipans ladies,
Assistant wives,
Other fellows women.

Today's Poem.

(The Fly.)
How large unto the tiny fly
Must little things appear—
A rosebud like a feather bed,
Its prickles like a spear;
A dewdrop like a looking-glass;
A hair like golden wire;
The smallest grain of mustard-seed
As fierce as coals of fire;
A loaf of bread a lofty hill;
A wasp, a cruel leopard;
And specks of salt as bright to see
As lambkins to a shepherd.

—WALTER DE LA MARE.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

JANUARY 22.

1664. Up, and it being a brave morning, with a gully to Woolwich. —Popsy.

1785. The departure of the loom frost, by which we were pinched and squeezed together for three weeks, is a most agreeable circumstance. —William Cowper.

COMPANIONSHIP.

"It is hard to believe long together that anything is 'worth while' unless there is some eye to kindle in common with our own, some brief word uttered now and then to imply that what is infinitely precious to us is precious alike to another mind."

—GEORGE ELIOT.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

January 22.—Coronet Theatre; "Quincy Adams Sawyer."
January 22.—Star Theatre; "Uncharted Seas."
January 22.—World Theatre; "The Women Men Love."

SOCIAL.
January 23.—Burn's Night Dinner in the Hongkong Hotel, 8 p.m.
February 4.—Grand Chinese Carnival in the Hongkong Hotel Grill Rooms, 8-12 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.
January 23.—Lammert Bros., at Sides Rooms, one fine pedigree Bull Dog (male), 3 p.m.
January 24.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Rooms, a valuable collection of postage stamps, 6.15 p.m.
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January 28.—Lammert Bros., at Godown, No. 18, The H.K. Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, Miscellaneous Goods, 10.30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.
January 23.—Twenty-third ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., 11 a.m.
January 24.—Thirty-sixth ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine Matheson's Offices 11.15 a.m.

February 1.—One-hundred and fourth ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong-Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd., at the Offices of the Company, Noon.
February 2.—Fifth ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., at the registered office of the Company, No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, 3 p.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Lighting-up time to-day is at 6.04 p.m.

Messrs. Alex. Ross & Co. (China) Ltd. send the *China Mail* two attractive Calendars designed to advertise Brooke Bond's tea for which the firm are sole agents.

The Singapore Market for Rubber Shares last week brightened up considerably and closed better than for several weeks.

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The total output of the Kailan Administration's mines for the week ending January 11, 1924, amounted to 108,616 tons and the sales during the period to 58,765 tons.

COMPANY MEETING.

CHINA LIGHT AND POWER CO., LIMITED.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., was held at the offices of the general managers of the Company, Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., yesterday morning. Mr. R. G. Shewan presided.

The meeting was called for the purpose of submitting resolutions to increase the capital of the Company.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the object of this meeting is clearly stated in the resolutions before you. It is simply to increase the present capital from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 by the issue to shareholders of 200,000 new shares at par. We do not propose to call up more than \$1 per share right off, as we are not in pressing need of the money at the moment, but there is no doubt that if our business continues to increase as it is doing, it will not be long before we have to order additional plant, and as our principal shareholders were all in favour of our looking well ahead and providing for funds beforehand we decided to put the proposal before you.

The Chairman then proposed the adoption of the resolutions already circulated. These were seconded by Mr. C. E. Riggs, Mr. C. H. Lyson and Mr. Tong Hoo Ting respectively and they were all carried unanimously.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

T.T. exchange on London is 24½; on Shanghai 70¾.

At the foot of Garden Road at about 11 a.m. yesterday, a Chinese girl of about ten years of age, was accidentally knocked over by taxi No. 968 and sustained slight injuries.

Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son send the *China Mail* a copy of a folder which has a descriptive chart relating to the British Empire Exhibition. Visitors to the Exhibition will find it supremely useful.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. advise that they have received the following from their Singapore agents: "Dividend; The Lunas Rubber Estates Ltd., have declared a final dividend of 7½% payable on the 21st instant."

Prior to the departure of the s.s. "Hakosaki Maru" for Shanghai, Revenue Officer Ward effected a seizure on board of a shipment of eight cases of morphia valued at about \$200,000. The lot had been shipped at Marseilles and was destined for Kobe.

Charged with having assaulted a sampan woman in Hunghong Bay with intent to rob her, a Chinese named Ng Kwai, was found guilty and sentenced by Mr. Justice Gompertz at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon, to five years' imprisonment with hard labour.

The Royal Humane Society on December 12, awarded its Silver Medal to Tom Henry Teagus, A.B., of H.M.S. "Tamar," for his gallantry in saving Lieut. Thomas H. Dickson, serving on Submarine L9, when that vessel sank during a typhoon off the Naval Dockyard at Hongkong, on August 18.

Believed to have been of unsound mind, So Chuk-ming (77) a Kwangsi scholar who arrived here a few days ago, committed suicide yesterday by cutting his throat with a razor at room No. 30 of the Tai Loy boarding-house, which is next to the Harbour Office. His body was found with a deep cut in the neck.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Annual Meeting of St. Andrew's Church Vestry is to be held on Monday next. The Vicar and Mrs. Lindsay will hold a reception prior to the meeting.

Professor Danenberg's pupils are giving their third memory test, piano recital at the Professor's music studio, The Albany, on Saturday next at 5 p.m. when an attractive programme will be rendered including a cycle of items by young Emil Danenberg.

The forthcoming weddings are announced of Lieut. Richard Ralph Beauchamp, R.N., H.M.S. "Tamar," to Miss Sarah Millicent Nichol; 350 The Park; Mr. William George Jarvis, Chinese Maritime Customs Officer, Lin Tin Customs House, to Miss Ellen Reid, en route from England per the s.s. "City of York."

The engagement is announced of Mr. Harold Green, Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, Hongkong, to Miss Vera Anthony, second daughter of Mr. Geo. G. Duncan, of Edinburgh. The marriage will shortly take place.

STELLA BENSON.

INTERVIEW WITH NOTED WRITER.

(By "Librarian.")

I had met Stella Benson, but it was some considerable time ago and when the Editor told me she was again in Hongkong, referred glowingly to her place in the ranks of our Women writers, and that she had just finished a book, I felt I must go to her, I went upon the order of my going, but I had not read "Fosses" and those other out-of-the-ordinary written books that she had written, I had read "The Poor man," "revelled in the incidents referring to 'The Poor Man's' experiences in Hongkong, and agreed with the Editor that 'Kwan Yin,' which is not a part of the book but which has been included in its splendid fare, was a perfect piece of poetic writing. Stella Benson was as she always is—with that elusive air of detachment which is so difficult to capture. She is unheeded, calm, with a softness of speech and manner which instinctively creates an atmosphere of rest. She told me what perhaps is generally known—how that her home for some time has been in Mengzi, in the wilds of the Yunnan Province, where her husband, Mr. O'Gorman Anderson is Commissioner of Customs—and where their residence is amidst the Loos a semi-civilized tribe of natives. It is here that her latest book—now in the hands of her agents, was written, and which soon should be announced on a publisher's book-list. Its title is "The Piper and the Dancer," and the settings I understand are in and around Hongkong and Yunnan. It is sure to be as original, and as charming as the others which have issued from her pen, and all who love good writing will wish for it a ready and extensive sale. Extensive it will be for Stella Benson has many admirers who think highly of her and her writing. She is in Hongkong on a short visit and departs in a day or two to meet her husband when they will explore the Meekong river, and visit Tonkin and Ankor.

Mrs. O'Gorman Anderson is an enthusiastic member of the Hongkong Book Club and spoke highly of its activities.

H.A.P.S.

ENJOYABLE CHEUNG CHAU OUTING.

On Sunday morning we found ourselves repeating a rhyme of another age—

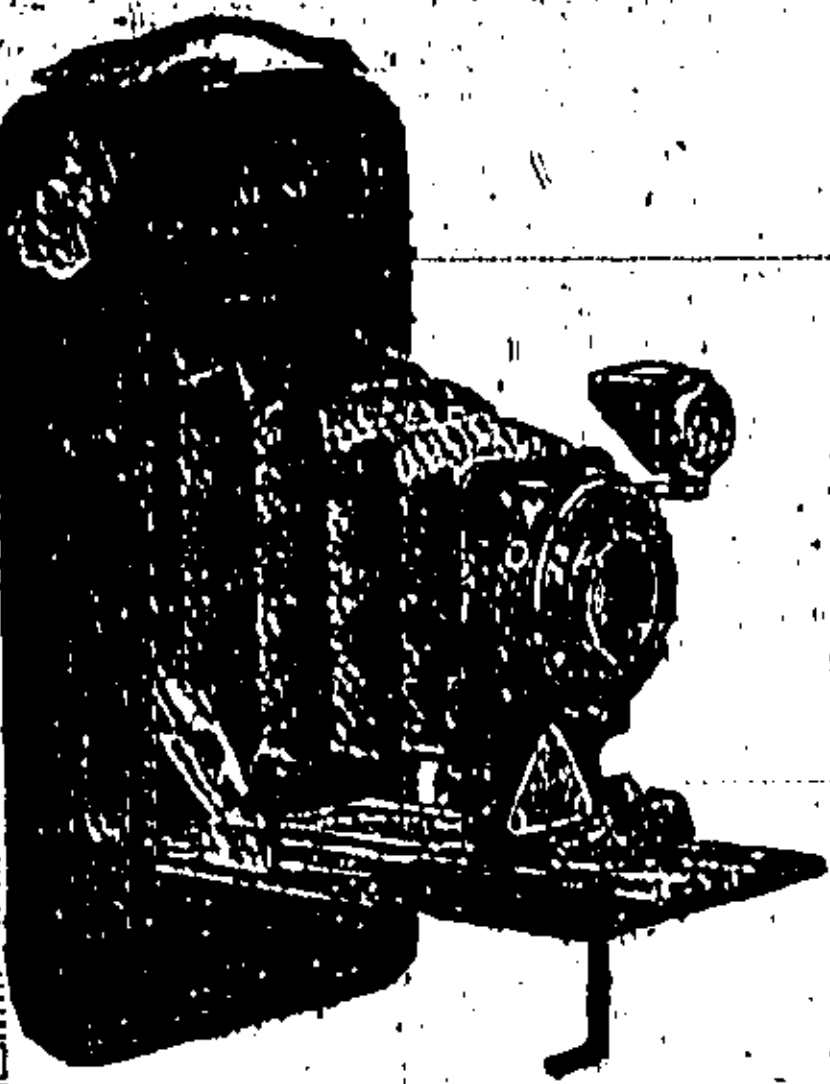
Rain, rain, go away.

Come again some other day. And as the clouds added to their leadiness, and a few spots descended, the rhyme repeated itself with increasing persistency. But the seventy members of the Hongkong Amateur Photographic Society were not discouraged. An outing to Cheung Chau had been planned, and saving a typhoon it was going to be held. And held it was to the great enjoyment of those who attended, thanks to some excellent organizing work by the Chairman and Hon. Secretary of the Outing Committee. Our good launch, with the H.A.P.S. flag at its masthead soon got going and in due time rounded the bay, which holds the Island's landing place. There were cameras to left of us, cameras to right of us, cameras of all shapes and sizes, and capable of doing wonderful things—and they clicked incessantly. One camera proved itself a wonderful thing. Seventy were posed in half a circle; the camera was set and then rotated and took in the whole of that seventy, and as some of those at the beginning raced to the end of the group, we may expect to see the same people pictured twice in the one group. Of how many snaps were taken of the temple, statisticians alone can tell. Weather conditions proved unsuitable for diffusing in the open air so an adjournment was made to the launch. The boat was taken a little way out—the twelve-mile limit someone described it—and a most sumptuous repast served. How it was done only the Chairman and the Secretary can say for their followed in quick succession, hotly served pork chops, roast beef, and curried quail. Also fruit and a liberal supply of golden coloured vintage known as lager. Nothing was left to chance. There was on board perhaps Hongkong's finest Chinese Amateur orchestra and a lady who sang. So it can be understood that the outing was a decided success and a request made to repeat it when the weather is likely to be better. The European members present included Dr. and Mrs. Woodman and Mr. C. Gordon.

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PAST HISTORY RECALLED.

BOATSWAIN AND SAILORS JOIN PIRATES.

Yet another chapter has been added to the tragic history of piracy of merchant vessels in Hongkong and adjacent waters by the attack on the Kongmoon steamer "Tai Lee." A phase unbecoming in similar attacks on river and coasting vessels, is the part alleged to have been taken by the boatswain and some of the sailors. Building up the account from different people on board there seems little doubt that the boatswain had a very big part in the affair and it is believed that he shot down Captain Wilcox, who was probably the best-known skipper on the Kongmoon run. One Indian guard also met his death at the hands of the pirates while two others were seriously wounded in attempting to stem the rush for control of the vessel. Loot comprising money, jewellery, valuables, property, etc., conservatively estimated at over a lakh, but said to be as much as \$200,000 in another quarter, has been taken and a large number of passengers were kidnapped, ostensibly for ransom.

How It Happened.

After the customary search at the wharf here, the "Tai Lee" left on Sunday evening with about 600 passengers and a general cargo. Nothing was amiss till the ship had been cleared by the Whangmoon Customs, when about fifteen minutes later—shortly after midnight—the attack began.

Mr. J. Fletcher, the chief officer, went on the bridge about ten when he was told by the boatswain that the captain had gone to his cabin. This was unusual but before he could do anything the boatswain had whiskered to him that a gang of pirates was on board. The chief officer was overpowered and kept a prisoner in the wheelhouse.

It is surmised that Captain Wilcox was shot as he was coming out of the lavatory, his assassin being suggested as the boatswain. At any rate, he was found in the morning, after the gang had left, lying in the lavatory with a bullet wound in his chest, another in the abdomen and a third in the thigh. Whoever was responsible the skipper was murdered in cold blood before he could put up any resistance.

Simultaneously with what happened on the bridge, there was a commotion in the lower decks and shots were heard. The six Indian guards had opened fire at the pirates who were "swarming" over the fore-castle to get on the bridge. With heavy odds against them, they were subdued, but not before three of them had been shot, one fatally.

Mr. Dwyer, the chief engineer, was then ordered out of bed and taken, at the point of a pistol, to the engine room to ascertain that all was in order. He was then kept a prisoner in the wheelhouse with the chief officer.

Military Commander's Credentials.

Accounts of what occurred amidships and in the lower deck, are learned from members of the command department who were eyewitnesses. Starting as soon as they had secured the upper hand, the pirates made a most systematic search. Baggage was opened up and all desks, boxes, drawers, etc., were gone through. To ensure that nothing of value would be missed, the gang ordered women passengers to undo their corsets so that no ornaments could be secreted. A hue and cry was raised for the command, the pirates speaking in the Shun Tak dialect which is almost similar to Cantonese. Fortunately, he managed to hide himself and remained under cover till the pirates had left the ship.

Many of the passengers were thoroughly examined as to their identities. Young Kam-ling, commander of the first (military) division in Kwangtung, and one of the Canton Finance Department officials were on board. Their

credentials were scrutinized and after that they were not molested. The ship was under weigh all the time and at four in the morning had, under the directions of the pirates, reached a point between East and West Ma Ling which is near the Heungshan delta and not far from Macao. Here the anchor was dropped and three of the ship's lifeboats lowered. The loot was assembled in about eighty baskets and those people who had been marked out were taken away in the boats.

As soon as the ship was cleared, the chief officer got up steam and made for Pak-kai, the port of Kongmoon, for which the "Tai Lee" was bound. The captain was discovered and with all possible speed the ship put into Pak-kai, arriving there at 6.30 in the morning. The captain was taken to the Mission Hospital there. An immediate operation by two mission doctors could not save his life and he succumbed two hours later. The Indians were also taken to the Mission for treatment.

While at Pak-kai, J.M.S. "Robin" arrived. On a report being made to her commander, she immediately made for the spot where the pirates landed but no trace was found except one of the lifeboats which had been abandoned. After the passengers had been disembarked, the "Tai Lee" put back for Hongkong with the bodies of the captain and the guard on board. She arrived at her wharf here at 9.10 p.m. when the bodies were taken to the mortuary and the police went on board to receive the chief officer's report.

The "Tai Lee" is owned by the Sze Yip S.S. Co. and operated by the Wo Yick Company. She has been on the Hongkong-Kongmoon run for nearly ten years. At one time she was also on the Hongkong-Canton run and during the war was one of the vessels requisitioned, being engaged, as a transport to Mesopotamia.

Added Inducement. What must have been an added inducement to attack the "Tai Lee" is the abnormal amount of money carried at this time of the year. Kongmoon is the entrepot for the Sze-Yip districts which provide nearly all the Chinese emigrants to America. It is a custom for the sojourners to return before China New Year and they invariably cash their drafts in Hongkong before going into the interior. Those abroad make it a habit of remitting sums home for the New Year and these are generally handed over to the itinerant traders and carriers who make it a business of travelling

up and down. There is also a big trade with Kongmoon, remittances for which are always effected by banking sums over to the command.

Earlier Attacks Recalled. Piracy of the "Tai Lee" recalls to mind the recent attack on the "San Ning" which is a competitor on the same run. About ten years ago, a ship named the "Tai On" (now the "San Nui Hoi") was pirated after attack a year previous. On the second occasion, the officers and guards refused to surrender and managed to keep the pirates at bay. Finding that they could not get control of the ship and that they were penned in the lower and tween decks, the pirates set fire to the vessel. Over a hundred lives were lost and one British officer perished when attempting to swim to another ship which had arrived on the scene. On that occasion the pirates were natives of Hainan island with headquarters in an island not far from Macao. Most of that gang went down when the ship burned to the water's edge.

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S. COLLETT,
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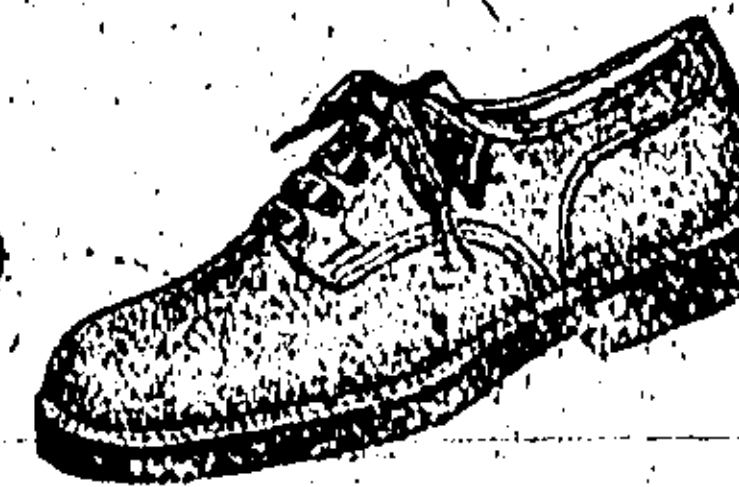
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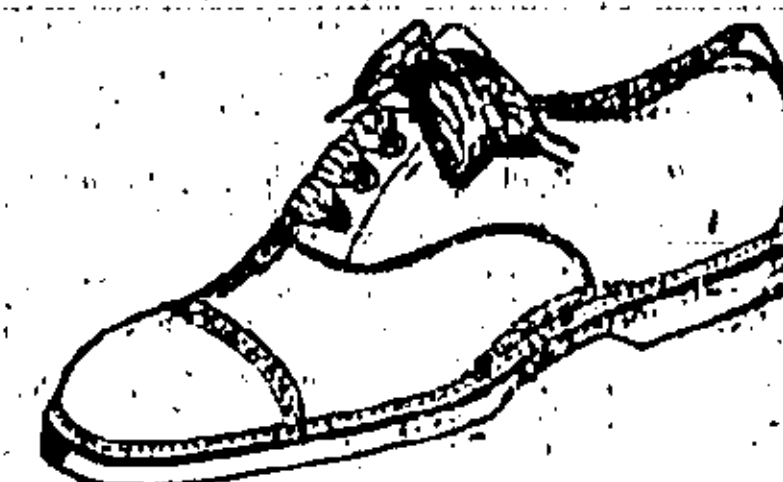
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LIFE'S BURDEN.

BEWARE OF THE BUDDING PRIMA DONNA.

[BY JOHN SINCLAIR.]

If there is anything more exasperating than a toothache at a Christmas dinner, it is a "prima donna" in a boarding house. We have one. To be able to sing and soothe the savage breast is a gift; to sing and think one is soothing the savage breast is a curse. More than once, have I fallen a victim to the charms of some lovely soprano on the concert platform and looked the same seat again the next evening in order to hear her sing. "Un peu d'amour." But with boarding house sopranos of my experience I have thought horrible things that have fallen little short of cold-blooded murder.

Where is the man that would lay down his life for his fellow boarders? I have yet to meet him. If there were ever a hero his name would go down to posterity. His reward would be no mere tin medal or diploma, but immortality and I would start a memorial fund for the erection of a statue in Loving Remembrance of The Man That Sacrificed His Life for His Fellow Boarders. And his victim would be the budding soprano.

There are singers and singers. There are singers who can sing and there are singers who think they can sing but can't sing and don't know it. It is this latter class who drive me from home; who ruthlessly shatter the joy of life and turn a sensitive fellow into a savage; and to them I dedicate the delightful discussion and privacy of the padded cell.

I may be a little severe in my indignation, but in their truthful words, my fellow sufferers must confess that I am right and that the primitive days of justice measured out in the strength of a man's arm, were days not to be scoffed at.

I wouldn't mind so much if she would postpone her torture until coffee. But when she bursts right in during the coffee and starts the inquisition with a faulty top "C" screeching down the scale at the top of her voice until she grates in a contralto to a lead of coals tumbling into the cellar, is there any wonder that I get the yand, slide over the pusher, upset the coffee and then dash upstairs to sharpen my razor? No! I have come into my peaceful life as an attack of the mumps.

The man who said that a woman's chafers were larger than a man's made the most truthful statement of his life. A surgeon's knife is not necessary to find that. Being a single man I never realized it until this woman drifted into my life.

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A HAPPY END.

EPISODE AT LANTAO ISLAND CLOSED.

Finis was written to the picnic party's adventurous week-end at Lantau Island yesterday evening with the arrival in Hongkong at about five o'clock of the two members who had been described as "missing."

Messrs. Dean (Butterfield & Swire's) and Stanton (International Bank) returned to the Colony tired out, but in all probability they had spent a better night than their six colleagues who ventured across the sea in a sampan and got wet through during a four hours' miserable voyage to Cheungchau.

The two young men left behind took matters philosophically and wandered into a fisherman's hut on some distant part of the island. There they passed the night sheltered from the vagaries of the weather. Next morning they were up with the crew of the creek and made tracks for the homeward trail, reaching Tai-O at about mid-day. From Tai-O, they went to Tungshan where they were met by the Police search party and brought back to the Colony.

Both were reluctant to recount their adventures, but they expressed their gratitude for the good work done by the Police.

It appears that the incident was due to some misunderstanding on the part of the coxswain of a Bank Line launch. The party were taken over to Lantau Island early on Sunday morning and the coxswain instructed to meet them later at a certain spot. The launch was nowhere in sight when the party returned, it being apparent that the coxswain had steered in an opposite direction. They waited a long time and then decided to make a search for the boat, but many miles were covered without the finding of a single clue as to the launch's whereabouts.

At midnight, it was arranged that six of the party should cross over to Cheungchau in a sampan. This party consisted of Messrs. Bowker, Penn and Collis of the Bank Line; Simmons, Dreyer, Cox and Captain Watts who landed in Hongkong early yesterday morning and informed the Police of the plight of their two companions.

night, which from the music was apparently Rudolph's Narrative in La Boheme, she con-

descended to tell me that she was having her voice trained. I was tuning then, my collar was nearly choking me and I was almost choking at the mouth. I swallowed my indignation, together with an unusual lump of alleged Yorkshire pudding and (sighed) "Yes, I think it is a little wild just now. When do you think you will have it tamed?"

It was a tragic bloomer for me. She has never spoken to me since. Instead, she relies on the agency publicity and I have transferred my dining to my own room where the sound is depleted but not sufficient to kill the nightmare of it.

But I am cunningly plotting. There is some talk of a week-end party to Stoepentone—boating, golf, and perhaps bathing. I can swim.

WHY PEOPLE LAUGH.

SOME REASONS.

BREAKING THE NEWS.

A Scotsman woke up one morning to find that in the night his wife had passed away. He leaped from his bed and ran horror-stricken into the hall.

"Marry," he called downstairs to the general servant in the kitchen, "come to the foot of the stairs, quick!"

"Yes, yes," she cried, "what is it? What is it?"

"Boil only one egg for breakfast this morning!" he said.

HIS FIRM BELIEF.

Five-year-old Freddie was spending the day with his aunt. Dinner was late, and the child began to grow restless.

"Auntie," he said, finally, "does God know everything?"

"Yes, dear."

"Every little thing?"

"Yes, dear, every little thing."

"Well, then," he said in a tone of conviction, "God knows I am hungry."

A MINIATURE AFFAIR.

He had gone into the manager's office to inquire if he could have the Saturday morning off for the purpose of digging up his garden.

"But, my good man," said the manager, "Jones told me a day or so ago that you hadn't a garden."

"Well, someone must have taken it off the window-sill, then," came the reply.

A POSER.

"I guess you've been out with worse-looking fellows than I am, haven't you?"

(No answer.)

"I say, I guess you've been out with worse-looking fellows than I, haven't you?"

"I heard you the first time. I was just trying to think."

ANOTHER KIND ALTOGETHER.

Lady: "Get a hacking cough and a headache? Well, I've a little wood you could hack and it might cure your headache."

Trump: "Much obliged, m'm; but my 'headache ain't of the splittin' variety."

HORSE SENSE.

Young Fred was checked by his school-master for saying: "The horse was runnin' down the street."

"There's no such word as 'runnin'," said the pedagogue; "it's 'running.' Now say it again, and don't forget the 'g.'"

"Gee, the horse was runnin' down the street," said Fred.

PICNICISED.

Two loafers were reclining on an Adelaide city square. One saw a policeman approaching.

"Look out, Bill," he said, "Here comes one of the movies."

ON POINTS.

Judge (as jury returns): "What is your verdict, gentlemen?"

Foreman (an ex pug): "We've heard the evidence, an' we give the wife the decision on points."

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Prospective Bridegroom: "How much is a marriage licence?"

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"HANOI SEIZURE."

ECHO OF RECENT PIRACIES.

WOMAN DEFENDANT INCLUDED.

Following the sensational arms seizure on the s.s. "Hanoi" prior to its departure from Hongkong some days ago, a number of men were charged in batches of two and three, before Mr. J. R. Wood, with attempted piracy and possession of arms. From what has taken place it appears as if the Criminal Intelligence Department has been particularly successful in getting together all available witnesses, data, &c., regarding previous crimes on the high seas.

Three men who had previously been remanded came up again yesterday morning when it was stated that a charge of returning before expiry of terms of banishment, would be preferred in addition to the more serious one of piracy. Eight others were also placed in the dock, this number including a woman named Wong Yee-mui.

Together with two men, the woman had been detained on a count of possession of arms but one of piracy of the s.s. "Kango" on a trip from Amoy, was substituted. It was alleged that a number of articles stolen from the ship, were found on these defendants.

Three other men faced a charge of possession of arms. Questioned by His Worship, Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, Assistant Crown Solicitor, said that the reason why they were charged simultaneously with the others, was that the same witnesses would give evidence in the various cases and that they were in the same house as the other prisoners.

Another man originally faced a charge of possession of four tael of opium, but this had been discarded in favour of one of attempted piracy. The last man was detained on a count of being a member of an unlawful society which was also charged to attempted piracy.

Several afternoons were set apart for hearing this week.

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KIDNAPPERS JAILED.

At the November criminal sessions two men were found guilty on charges arising out of the kidnapping and holding to ransom for \$80,000 of the son of a Canton pawnbroker but Mr. Justice Gompertz, who tried the case, deferred sentence in order to give the prisoners a chance to earn mitigation by taking steps to secure the young man's release.

When the men were brought up before His Honour again yesterday morning, the Crown Solicitor (Mr. H. K. Holmes), stated that although one of the prisoners had written a letter there had been no answer to it.

Mr. Justice Gompertz said he had deferred sentence in the hope that something might be done but one of the prisoners had apparently made no attempt to secure the boy's release. Twenty years' imprisonment and the other one, who was told by His Honour that he was extremely fortunate to have been charged only on a minor count, was let off with three years' jail.

His Honour told both prisoners that if they were able to bring about the release of the captive they could later petition His Excellency for a reduction of sentence.

HOCKEY.

H.M.C. v. NAVY.

The following will represent the Club at the U.S.R.C. tomorrow at 5 p.m. Club colours: Messrs E. W. Hamilton, E. G. England, G. Murray, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. S. Hett, E. I. Sim, D. H. F. McMaster, F. C. Miller, W. Woodward, G. R. More, H. Owen Hughes, H.C. 2ND v. A. BOWERS 2ND.

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WHO SENT THEM?

ILLICIT ARMS FROM HONGKONG.

SINGAPORE MAN JAILED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, January 21.

A Chinese named Wong Fook, for importing arms and ammunition from Hongkong, has been sentenced to two years' jail and 24 lashes.

WHO'S WHO.

CHINA COAST CHANGES.

Captain B. H. G. Ashby, from reserve, has gone to shore employment.

Mr. F. W. Potter, from reserve, has gone acting master, "Taming."

Captain R. Tyrrell, of the "Taming," is on special service.

Mr. J. Byrne, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Shantung."

Mr. E. W. Richards, second officer, "Hsin Peking," has gone second officer, "Longbow."

Mr. Stettensen, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. G. L. Stabeloff, second officer, "Pausing," has gone second officer, "Kutwo."

Mr. E. P. Casey, second officer, "Kutwo," is

NEW EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A.

FOUNDATION STONE LAID IN KOWLOON SITE.

The foundation stone of the new European Y.M.C.A. building which is being erected in Salisbury Road, Kowloon, was laid by H.E. the Governor, (Sir Reginald Stubbs, K.C.M.G.) yesterday. The ceremony was presided over by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Chairman of the Y.M.C.A. in Hongkong, and among those present were Sir Claud Severn, the Hon. Mr. E. Irving, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.C., the Rev. T. W. Pearce, Mr. J. L. McPherson, the Bishop of Victoria (the Right Rev. Dr. Duppuy), the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald (Minister of the Union Church, Hongkong), the Rev. G. R. Lindsay and Mr. W. L. Leask.

It is estimated that the cost of the new Y.M.C.A. will be over \$200,000, exclusive of furnishings and equipment. There will be five storeys and on the first floor will be the general office, lounge, dining rooms for members and non-members and also two club rooms and a ladies' room. The second floor will be allotted as bed-rooms for temporary visitors while the third and fourth floors will be reserved for monthly boarders.

PROGRESS OF THE Y.M.C.A.

Tracing the history of the Y.M.C.A. in Hongkong, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock said, the European Y.M.C.A. was opened on the 1st May, 1904, and for ten years it occupied the top floor of Alexandra Buildings, during which period it did much useful work. In June, 1914, an outbreak of plague necessitated a change of quarters and by kind permission of Messrs. Alexander Ross and Co., temporary quarters for the members, but without sleeping accommodation, were arranged at No. 4 Des Voeux Road Central, where the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation annex now stands. These quarters contained an office, a reading room and a billiard room only, and proved inadequate for the successful working of the Association. Accordingly, in the year 1916, it was considered advisable to temporarily suspend work until more suitable premises could be obtained. A canvass for funds was made in June of that year which resulted, owing to the strenuous efforts of our late Governor, Sir Henry May, in the securing of a sum of \$140,000 for the purpose of erecting a new building, the money thus raised being sent home and invested in war loan.

Subsequently, went on the Chairman, various sites were suggested for the new building of the Association, two of such sites being on the Victoria side of the Harbour, but ultimately the directors decided on the present admirable site which His Excellency has kindly secured for them with the assent of the Secretary of State for the Colonies. About the same time the funds at the disposal of the directors were considerably augmented by the gift from the International Committee of the Y.M.C.A. of \$75,000 gold subject to conditions which were acceptable to the directors as to the provision of certain accommodation in the building for American and British Service men.

They had, therefore at their disposal, continued the Hon. Mr. Pollock, a sum which amounted with accrued interest, to \$300,000 Hongkong currency, and this sum of money would suffice to put up and furnish and equip a five-storey building at a cost of over two lakhs of dollars consisting of two lower floors for social recreation and one middle floor for transients and two upper floors for monthly residents, the accommodation being sufficient for 30 transients and about 36 monthly residents.

Later, when funds were forthcoming, it was proposed to make additions which would include a swimming bath, bowling alleys, a gymnasium and more bed-rooms. These additions would be made as funds became available, and perhaps he may be permitted to take the opportunity of inviting some generous person or persons to make a donation for one of the above objects so as to enable them to make the accessories for wholesome recreation as complete as possible.

Before concluding my remarks, as to the past history of the European Y.M.C.A., said the chairman, "I should like to express my very great indebtedness to Mr. J. L. McPherson, who has acted as our Hon. Secretary for the past ten years, and who has been mainly instrumental in procuring the grant from the Y.M.C.A. International Committee of \$75,000 gold, and who has during his holidays last year, been in touch with the Y.M.C.A. at home as to the kind of secretary whom we shall require to carry out our building and approaching completion." (Applause.)

The Board of Directors earnestly hope that this building, at the commencement of which, we are assisting, will be the home of men who are self-sacrificing, steadfast and strong; men who will work unselfishly for the benefit of others and for the general welfare of this Colony.

THE BOY SCOUTS.

ANNUAL COMPETITION TESTS.

The Hongkong Boy Scouts held a short rally on Saturday afternoon, for the purpose of the Annual Competition of the Prince of Wales' Banner. About 130 were present, being conveyed across the Harbour by launches, and marching through Kowloon to King's Park, where the different troops were inspected and points awarded for smartness of turnout.

Owing to the distance and shortness of time, only simple tests were taken on this occasion, representatives from each troop being awarded points for knotting, signalling, weight judging, compass game, and Kim's Game.

This last was a test of observation and memory, 25 articles being exposed for a minute, and then covered, each boy giving names of all remembered. One boy succeeded in giving no less than 23.

The marks earned in each test are adjusted according to the numbers of each troop and count towards the Banner Competition.

It is hoped to hold a further rally in April, if possible at Happy Valley, when more strenuous and elaborate tests can be arranged.

GOVERNMENT RECOGNITION.

Before proceeding to lay the stone, His Excellency said he could only express regret that his predecessor was not living to receive the report of the laying of the foundation stone of this building. Had it been possible for him to be present he would have been very pleased to see the admirable work he started in the way of collecting funds.

"The Government," His Excellency went on, "was fully aware of the valuable work the Y.M.C.A. was doing. He knew it himself in other parts of the world, and recognising the value of the work they had had great pleasure in placing at its disposal one of the best sites in the Colony. It was a site which had the advantage at all times of whatever breezes there may be, and he congratulated the directors on their wisdom in selecting a site on that side of the water, instead of at Hongkong where it would have been very difficult to obtain a satisfactory site."

Referring to the athletic side of the Institute, His Excellency said that anything in the nature of field games on this site would be impossible, but he thought they might hope to have these further out, and he would assure the directors that any scheme on these lines would have his sympathy. There was one further point for which he desired to enter a plea. It had not been mentioned by Mr. Pollock. He felt sure that the establishment of a good library in the institution, from which people could borrow books which members of the Mercantile Marine could take on voyages, would immensely increase the importance and value of the Institute. He would like the directors to consider the point he had raised.

As regards accommodation His Excellency went on to say that the Institute would render splendid service by providing permanent accommodation for young men who could not otherwise obtain suitable accommodation in surroundings within their means. Then, again, it would meet another difficulty in that it provided for young men passing through the Colony and who only stay in Hongkong for two or three days, during which time, if they were not looked after they might possibly get into mischief. He was sure also that the Institute would be of great value to His Majesty's Forces, especially when the time came when the military would not be quite such a prominent feature in Victoria. When they had to live on the outskirts of Kowloon it would be very convenient for them to look in. The success of the Institute he regarded as assured, and in case he was not here when the building was finally completed, he would like to congratulate the directors on their success.

"I should like to mention incidentally," concluded His Excellency, "one name which Mr. Pollock omitted; that is the name of Mr. Matthew John Stephen who was undoubtedly the greatest donor of the large sums of money collected by Sir Henry May. I conclude, Mr. Pollock, by wishing the Institution every success and I am sure that you will be able to carry out the building and approaching completion." (Applause.)

The Board of Directors earnestly hope that this building, at the commencement of which, we are assisting, will be the home of men who are self-sacrificing, steadfast and strong; men who will work unselfishly for the benefit of others and for the general welfare of this Colony.

DIVIDENDS.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY LTD.

The directors will recommend the following allocation of profits for the year ending 31st December 1923 at the forthcoming Annual Meeting of Shareholders: Dividend 8% absorbing \$120,000.00 Bonus 8% 120,000.00 Transfer to Special Repairs and Renewals a/c 10,000.00 Transfer to Typhoon and Floods Insurance a/c 10,000.00 Transfer to Reserve Fund 50,000.00 Carry Forward 158,229.32 \$468,229.32

CORRESPONDENCE.

"PIRACIES."

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—Yet another piracy has come to light after a lapse of but a few weeks. All West River boats, so I understand, have taken all possible precautions against an attack but I am rather afraid that some Chinese steamship owners do not work the scheme well enough. The provision of grills, guards, etc., is a necessity but they are looked upon as immaterial by the pirates, when there are many odds and ends that have not been attended to by the owners.

I am of the opinion that the Police searches at the wharves are inadequate and with the exception of the Canton and Macao wharves, the Police searches at the other wharves consisted of only Chinese. It is far from being satisfactory, but I have at times personally visited some of these smaller wharves and find that every person is subject to a search. But I don't understand why the C.S.P. keeps back the European Police. This is a British Colony and every minute thing under the name of Protection ought to be looked after by Britishers.

It is a purely dangerous practice to invest the power on the Chinese constables. I need not say any further on this point and I leave it to the C.S.P. to think of the vast amount of use when European police are doing searching at the wharves. I have written once on the question of the searching of merchandise at the cargo space and I don't know if ever an examination has been made. When searching at the wharves has been conducted thoroughly, and yet a ship is to be looted, the problem of attack many seem to be in the dark, many resolved for once and all.

The Chinese ship-owners are allowing a dangerous practice in having cargo placed all round the ship where it is possible to secret weapons, etc., and before the signal of attack is given they simply leave their cabin and get out to the deck and arm themselves.

The very large complement of passengers is too congested together and the owners should come to some regulation about this.

I should like to come forth with my suggestion that any of those who were special constables during the war and who have had experience of police work, might come out again to render some light service, and work in conjunction with the regular police in the searching of passengers as well as the whole ship itself before departure. The China New Year is fast approaching and it is a time in which more police are needed. It is also too true that Chinese from the States returning to their country for the celebration of the festivities during the New Year, bring with them vast sums of money and they are simply a prey for the pirates.

Yours, etc.,

Protection.

Hongkong, January 22.

BROTHEL BRIBERY.

CHARGE AGAINST DISTRICT WATCHMAN.

Charges amounting to \$50, an accusation of having extorted \$50 from a brothel keeper by way of "squeeze" were preferred against a District watchman named Tsoi Ping who appeared before the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies K.C.) and a jury at the January criminal sessions yesterday afternoon and again this morning.

Mr. A. Dyer Ball (Assistant Attorney General) prosecuted and the prisoner was defended by Mr. Campbell Frosser.

The Crown case alleged that the prisoner's duty was to accompany an inspector of Chinese brothels on his rounds on December 5; he visited a house alone and demanded \$100 from the mistress threatening that otherwise he would arrest a certain girl in the house who had no licence. Eventually the mistress gave him \$50.

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BRITAIN'S OIL SHARES.

ANGLO-PERSIAN INTERESTS.

POSSIBLE SALE DISCUSSED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, January 21. In the House of Commons, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, informed Lieut-Comdr. Kenworthy that the proposal for the sale of the Government's shares in the Anglo-Persian Oil Company was first made by the Managing Director of the Burma Oil Company, but it was understood that the "Shell" and Royal Dutch Companies were also interested in the project.

Replied to further questions, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said that the Anglo-Persian Board Company had not been officially consulted. The Government did not feel it was able to take a final decision as it had in ended to refer the matter to the Cabinet committee prior to decision.

The two Government directors of the Anglo-Persian Company had been consulted, but it would not be in the public interest to disclose exactly what their advice was, because the question was not yet decided and it might be decided by some Government of the future who would desire to have information given them.

Asked who had conducted the negotiations on behalf of the Government, Mr. Chamberlain said the proposals were originally submitted by the President of the Board of Trade. He himself, the First Lord of the Admiralty and the Secretary for War, had also been consulted.

VIRTUAL BLOCKADE.

BRITAIN'S RUHR ZONE ENCLOSED.

GOVERNMENT'S PALTERING.

LONDON, January 21.

In the House of Commons, Lieut-Comdr. Kenworthy referring to the French Regie's ordinances prohibiting the import and export of articles in the Cologne area, asked if this virtual blockade of the British zone was to be continued and whether any form of reprisals would be adopted.

Mr. Ronald McNeill, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, admitted that such ordinances had been issued, but said he was not prepared at the moment to accept Commander Kenworthy's description. The Government was enquiring into the matter and attention of the French and Belgian Governments was being called to it.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

LONDON, January 21.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Ronald McNeill, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that Mr. Clive, the British Consul-General making enquiries in the Palatinate, had telegraphed that after five days of hearing the views of every class, he had reached the conclusion that an overwhelming mass of the population was opposed to autonomous Government, which could never come into existence without French support. Seventy-five per cent of the Separatists came from outside and included a large criminal element.

MANNING BRITISH STEAMERS.

MORE WHITE CREWS URGED.

LONDON, January 21.

In the House of Commons, replying to Lieut-Comdr. A.E. Rawson, who asked whether regulations could be adopted for manning passenger ships with white crews, thereby contributing to the greater safety and comfort of passengers and to the relief of unemployment in Britain, Viscount Wolmer, Under-Secretary for Trade, said the exclusion of Lascars who were mainly British subjects from British ships would require legislation and there were very serious objections to any such proposal.

SINGAPORE SCHEME UPHELD.

LONDON, January 21.

In the House of Commons, Mr. L. C. M. S. Amery, First Lord of the Admiralty, told Capt. A. U. M. Hodson that the Admiralty did not propose to abandon the Singapore scheme.

WEAK IN ENGLISH.

THE HON. MR. KOTEWALL OFFERS SCHOLARSHIP.

A very successful year reported by the headmaster of the Gap Road School at the annual prize distribution this morning was favourably commented upon by the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall who distributed the prizes.

Speaking in Chinese at the request of the Director of Education (the Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving), the Hon. Mr. Kotewall said the exceptionally good results should be gratifying to both the teachers and students. From the report, he gathered that the boys who had passed into the Wanchai School for further education had invariably done well and in fact, some of them during the past year had obtained first places. This showed that the school had laid a good foundation.

Incidentally, went on the Hon. Mr. Kotewall he would like to mention that upon arriving at the school in his car, he had noticed that there was a school in this narrow road, which was a source of danger to the young boys. He hoped that the Director of Education would write to the Inspector of Police asking for a warning sign board. (Applause.)

Although it was an English School, continued the Hon. Mr. Kotewall, he found that all the masters were Chinese, but in spite of this, the results had been as good as those shown by any other school of its class even with English teachers. This reflected great credit on the teaching staff. He understood from the Inspector of English Schools (Mr. Ralphs) that every member of the staff from the headmaster downwards was a product of the Technical Institute Training Teachers' Class—a proof that this class had justified its existence.

Though the school was in a temporary building Mr. Kotewall went on, it seemed as if bigger premises would be required sooner or later, though at present it was meeting its requirements.

Mr. Ralph had told him that so high was the school's standard of education that he could call it a Middle School for schools of its kind. Mr. Ralph had highly praised the school and they had much reason to be proud of this praise, but they must not be satisfied with their success they must carry on and do even better.

In listening to the report, concluded Mr. Kotewall, he had heard that they were rather weak in diction and colloquial English, and he had noticed that a number of boys who had left school in a very high standard could not speak nor write English, very well. In order to promote the study of English, the Hon. Mr. Kotewall said he would offer a scholarship for one year to be given to the boy who excelled in these English subjects in Class 7 in the year 1924, in order to enable him to have another year's free tuition in the sixth class. (Loud cheers.)

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Pope Greets Spanish Rulers

Medieval ceremonies at the Vatican was revived for the first time since 1870 when King Alfonso and Queen Victoria of Spain were received by Pope Pius XI. The Spanish monarchs were seated on low thrones to the left, while the Pope occupied the Pontifical Throne in the center of the Consistorial Hall. The Spanish rulers thrice beat the knee before the Pope, then knelt and kissed the Pope's toe; there by restoring the ancient ceremonial to denote humility and the homage due by Catholic sovereigns. King Alfonso is shown kneeling before the Pope, while Queen Victoria is still seated on her throne.



Mrs. Harriett Cooper

"Girls, don't be an old man's darling," is the advice of Mrs. Harriett Cooper, of Kansas City, who seeks a divorce from Joseph Cooper, wealthy theatre owner. Mrs. Cooper is 21; her husband is "forty, fat, near-sighted and bald." She asks \$35,000 alimony and counsel fees, charging her husband with possessing an ungovernable temper.



Lady Irene Curzon, daughter of Lord Curzon, British Foreign Minister, is campaigning for a seat in the House of Commons as an Independent. Lady Irene was born in 1896, her mother being the late Mary Victoria Leiter, daughter of Chicago's famous wheat plunger.



Archbishop Patrick J. Hayes

A Rome cable quotes Vatican circles as regarding it as a certainty that Archbishop Patrick J. Hayes, of the Diocese of New York, one of the strongest of the younger prelates in America, will be created a Cardinal at the Papal Consistory held by Pope Pius XI in December.



Mrs. Frank P. Stearns & Miss Edith Clark

Mrs. Frank P. Stearns, of Boston and Washington, whose husband millionaire Boston merchant, is the closest personal friend and adviser of President Calvin Coolidge, has returned to America with her sister, Miss Edith Clark, after a vacation tour of Europe.



John Browning, Mrs. B.F. Ballantyne, and Marjorie Browning

Above are shown John Browning, son of the millionaire inventor of the Colt automatic pistol, the Browning automatic rifle and the Browning light and heavy machine guns used by the United States Army in the World War; his sister Mrs. Benjamin F. Ballantyne, and their cousin, Marjorie A. Browning, all of Salt Lake City, Utah. The Brownings are on trial for the killing, last Spring, of Mrs. Ballantyne's husband, whom they shot to death, they say, when he drew a pistol during a family quarrel over Ballantyne's treatment of his wife. Mrs. Ballantyne is aiding the defence.



Leo Granoff

Leo Granoff 11-year-old New York City boy and referred to as the "Boy Trotsky," has been paroled to appear later in Children's Court. He was picked up by a policeman, with his pockets stuffed with anarchist literature. When questioned, the boy admitted he was a Communist and that he had a large class of Communists among his ten to twelve-year-old companions. "Freedom is only for the rich," he declared. The National Security League joined hands with the police to put down the "conspiracy" of the children Communists to "overthrow the Government." Sound-sparking by mothers and fathers saved America.



Geraldine Farrar

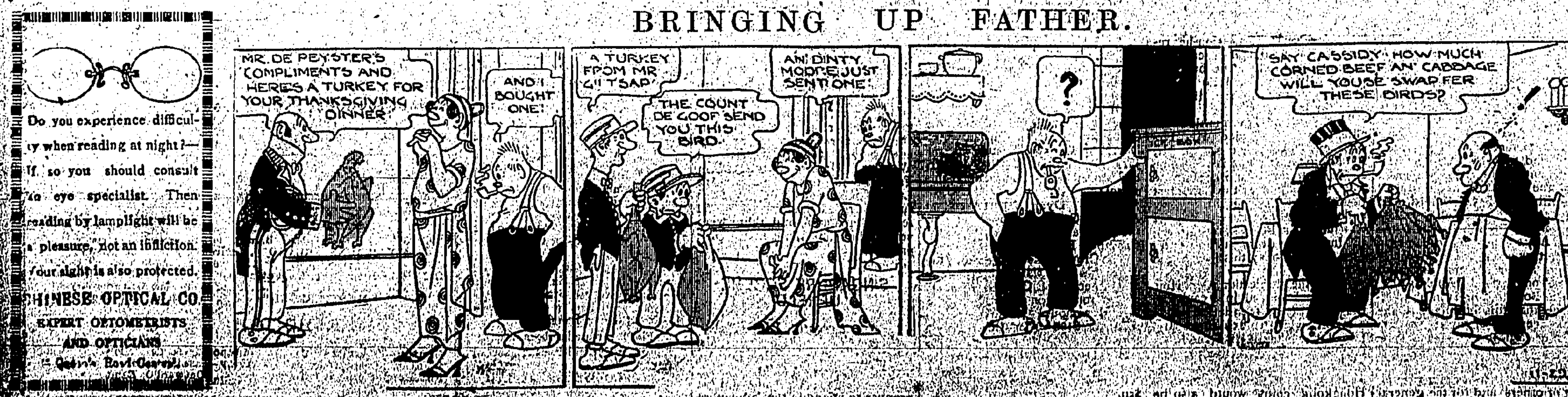
Barred from appearing in either the Westley Memorial Church or the Immense Baptist Tabernacle in Atlanta, Ga., for a concert because of her rôle in "Zaza" in the Southern metropolis a few years before Geraldine Farrar defied the churches. "I'll sing there if I have to sing at Five Points!" she said, referring to a square in the very heart of the city. However, the high-school students, who were to give a minstrel in Atlanta's Auditorium, surrendered their rights, and the diva was permitted to sing indoors.



Klan Wedding

While 2,000 Klansmen and their wives looked on, a Klan wedding ceremony was performed at Champalga, Ill., in the new Klavern, on top of which burned a fiery cross 40 feet high. In the photograph are shown, left to right, Mrs. J. J. Reynolds, mother of the bride; the bride; Rev. Oliver K. Doney, who performed the ceremony; Harry A. Lee, the groom, and J. J. Reynolds, father of the bride.

BRINGING UP FATHER.



EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HOME RAILWAY STRIKE.

LONDON, January 21.

Early morning reports from all over the country confirm the local motive power's claim that the Society's members are striking solidly. A few cases are also reported of N.U.R. men sympathetically striking. Thus, members of both unions have made common cause at Warrington, while a number of N.U.R. men at Crewe are acting as strike pickets. The most optimistic strike timetable is that of the London Midland Scottish, which is promising sixty per cent. of the normal service; but the extent of the N.U.R. defection, whereon everything depends, will not be determinable until later in the day.

LONDON, January 21.

While Paddington is congested with dwellers in train, the situation at the other London termini is not so bad. An official at Waterloo stated this morning that two or three main line trains had run since midnight, and that suburban trains are arriving very well. St. Pancras is comparatively busy, and an official at Euston optimistically declared they could get passengers on their system anywhere to-day, with luck. The underground railways, buses, and trams were crowded to capacity this morning, whilst thousands of motor cars were employed to bring workers to the city.

LATER.

Mr. Brodie this morning stated that the response to the strike call had exceeded expectations, and the position would strengthen during the next two or three days. He claimed that the N.U.R. men were in a great many cases already with the strikers.

LATER.

Contrary to Mr. Brodie's claim, it is stated at the offices of the Railway Managers that the vast majority of the N.U.R. drivers and firemen are loyal to the union. A few men here and there struck in sympathy with Mr. Brodie's union, but most of the N.U.R. men reported for work this morning and more are expected this evening.

THE RUHR.

LONDON, January 21.

Karl Kautsky yesterday called on M. Poincaré. It is understood that he conveyed the British Government's protest, and requested an explanation of the Rhineland regime's action, with respect to which London newspaper diplomatic correspondents comment warmly, and anticipate another Anglo-French crisis. They declare such action to be a reprisal for Great Britain's refusal to hand over the Cologne railway to the regime.

SOUTH AFRICA.

CAPE TOWN, January 20.

The new Governor-General, the Earl of Athlone, and Princess Alice (the Countess of Athlone) were magnificently welcomed on their arrival aboard the "Windsor Castle."

The city was gallantly beflagged and docks and shipping were bright with bunting. The landing was made in brilliant sunshine. Large crowds assembled at the docks.

MEXICAN REVOLT.

(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, January 20.

The U.S.S. "Richmond" has arrived at Vera Cruz. The presence of the "Richmond" is intended to serve as a warning that Mexican Rebels must not interfere with American vessels in the attempted blockade of Tampico.

ANGLO-AMERICAN GOLF.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.

The English professional golfers, Havers and Ockendon, defeated the Americans, Sarazen (professional) and John Blake (amateur), one hole up over a course of thirty-six holes.

HONGKONG HEIGHTS.

For the information of visitors following list of some of the highest points on the island and Mainland is published—

ISLAND	Feet
Signal Station	1774
My Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Lyric	1725
Peak Hotel	1305
Tai Koo Sanatorium	1090
Mr. Davis	877
Bowen Rd. (Glenelg)	801
MAINTLAND	
Yimshing	8124
Kowloon Peak	1971
Lau Peak	1640
Shan Peak	1600
Yimshing Peak	1580
T. H. Peak	1540

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VESSELS DUE

FROM NORTH CHINA.

Jan. 27.—J.C.J.L. Tjikembang.

FROM BANGKOK.

Jan. 31.—E. A. Banks.

Feb. 5.—E. A. Banting.

FROM SAIGON, SPORE & MANILA.

Jan. 26.—U.S.S.B. West Montop.

FROM JAPAN.

Jan. 26.—J.C.J.L. Tjikembang.

FROM JAVA.

Jan. 24.—J.C.J.L. Tjikembang.

FROM CALCUTTA.

Jan. 26.—R. I. Tando.

Feb. 12.—B. I. Tando.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Feb. 1.—E. A. Banks.

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Mar. 7.—E. A. Banks.

Apr. 2.—E. A. Banks.

May 2.—E. A. Banks.

FROM SEATTLE, VANCOUVER

Etc.

Jan. 30.—B. F. Protetians.

Feb. 3.—A. O. L. Protetians.

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On 12 months sight—... 3/4-1/2

On New York—

On demand—... 11/16

On 30 days sight—... 11/16

On 60 days sight—... 11/16

On 90 days sight—... 11/16

On 120 days sight—... 11/16

On 150 days sight—... 11/16

On 180 days sight—... 11/16

On 210 days sight—... 11/16

On 240 days sight—... 11/16

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On 2010 days sight—... 11/16

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On 2160 days sight—... 11/16

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HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the results of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1909-10.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 6 inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on this tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 8 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 6 inches to the height given in the table.

January 19 to 25, 1924.

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